

Putland, a Minor, under the Age of 21
Son and Heir of Thomas Putland,
of the City of Dublin, Merchant, de-
ceased, by Jane Putland, Widow, his
Mother and next Friend, and the said
Putland, and Richard Hellsham,
Attorney of Physick, Executors of the Last
Will and Testament of the said Thomas
Putland.

Appellants.

Sir Walter Burrowes,
Bart. Respondent.

The Appellants C A S E.

SIR Kildare Burrowes being seised in Fee of the Mannor, Town and Lands of Castle-
town Omy, lying in the Queen's County, and the Town and Lands of Grange Mel-
lon and Giltown in the County of Kildare in the Kingdom of Ireland, with their
several Subdenominations and Appurtenances, did, together with his Wife Dame
Elizabeth Burrowes, by Deeds of Lease and Release bearing Date the 10th and 11th Days
of June 1700, in Consideration of 3000 l. really and bona fide paid unto him the said Sir
Kildare by Thomas Putland, Grandfather of the Appellant John, grant and convey all and
singular the said Lands and Premises unto the said Thomas Putland, and his Heirs, subject
to a Proviso of Redemption on Payment of the said 3000 l. and Interest at 8 per Cent. per
Ann. by the said Sir Kildare Burrowes, his Heirs and Assigns, at the End of seven Years
from the Date thereof. In which Deed of Release are contained Covenants for levying
Fines, and suffering common Recoveries, and making further Assurances, with other usual
Covenants, which Deeds are witnessed by Robert Johnston, late one of the Barons of the
Exchequer in Ireland, and Brother-in-Law to the said Sir Kildare.

Fines were levied, and Recoveries had and suffered of the Premises, to the Uses in
the said Deed of Release mentioned.

The said Thomas Putland, sen. being so seised of the said Mortgaged Premises, did on
the Marriage of Thomas Putland, jun. his eldest Son, Father of the Appellant John, with
the Appellant Jane, Daughter of John Rotton, in Consideration of the said Marriage, and
of a considerable Portion received with her, by Deeds of Lease and Release bearing
Date respectively the 10th and 11th Days of August 1708, grant and convey the said Pre-
mises (inter alia) to John Rotton and Edward Ryly, and their Heirs, to the Use of the
said Thomas Putland, jun. for Life, Remainder to the first and every other Son of the said
Thomas Putland, jun. on the Body of the said Jane to be begotten, and the Heirs Male of
their Bodies, with other Remainders over, subject to a Proviso, that if the Mortgage
Money should be paid, the same should be laid out in the Purchase of Lands by the said
Rotton and Ryly, the Trustees, to be settled to the same Uses.

The said Sir Kildare paid several Sums of Money in Part of the Interest of the said
Mortgage, and continued in the Possession of the Mortgaged Premises till his Death, which
happened in March 1708-9, leaving the Respondent Sir Walter, his Son and Heir, who, after
his Father's Death likewise paid some Money at several Times, in Part of the Interest of
the said Mortgage, but there being a very considerable Arrear due,

Thomas Putland, the Appellant John's Father, the 15th of January 1710, exhibited his
Bill in the Chancery of Ireland against the Respondent Sir Walter, Dame Elizabeth his Mo-
ther, and also against John Lyons, Esq; who claimed the said Lands of Grange Mellon, Part
of the said Mortgaged Premises, by virtue of two Leases, under the yearly Rent of 140 l.
per Ann. and prayed, the Money due upon the said Mortgage might be paid, or that the
Equity of Redemption of the Respondent Sir Walter might be foreclosed.

The Respondent Sir Walter, then a Minor, by his Guardian Martin Tucker, Esq; and the
said John Lyons answered the said Bill jointly, and the Respondent Sir Walter admitted his
Father had borrowed Money from the Appellant's Grandfather, and executed such Mort-
gage as in the Bill, that the Estate was come to him, but insisted, his Father had made
some Settlement of the said Premises upon him, and did not know whether the same was
subject to the said Mortgage, and the said John Lyons insisted on his Lease of Grange
Mellon, Part of the said Mortgaged Premises.

The Respondent Sir Walter having arrived at his full Age, and the said John Lyons ha-
ving (pending the said Suit) assigned over his Interest in the said Premises to Sir John St.
Leger, one of the Barons of the Exchequer.

The Appellant John's said Father the 22d Day of January 1716, exhibited a Supplemen-
tal Bill against the Respondent and the said Baron St. Leger, and prayed, a Discovery of
what pretended Settlements were made of the Premises by the Respondent's said Father,
and when, to whom, and on what Condition the same were made, and insisted, that
if he had made any Settlement on the Respondent his Son and Heir, the same was vo-
luntary, and could not affect his Mortgage, nor the then Plaintiff's Title thereto, he be-
ing a Purchaser for a valuable Consideration without Notice of any Settlement, and like-
wise insisted, that whatever Settlements were made, the same were barred by the said
Fines levied, and the said Recoveries suffered upon the Execution of the said Mortgage,
and therefore prayed, the Respondent might redeem or be foreclosed.

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19 Aug. 1718.

The Respondent four Years after he came of full Age, put in his Answer on or about the 19th of August 1718 to the said Bill, and thereby insisted, that the said Mortgaged Premises were by some Deed prior to the said Mortgage for a valuable Consideration settled upon him in Remainder, and that his said Father had no Power to make such Mortgage, and that therefore the Respondent was not in any Manner liable to the Payment of the Money so borrowed upon the said Mortgage, he being by such Settlement only Tenant for Life of the Mortgaged Premises; but whether the several Uses by the said Settlement limited were barred by the said Fines and Recoveries, submitted to the Court, but the Respondent did not take upon him to say by his said Answer, that he believed the then Plaintiff had Notice of such Settlement; and Baron *St. Leger* put in his Answer to the said Bill, insisting on the Assignment of the Leases to him from *Lyons*.

21st & 22d
Feb. 1718.

The Appellant's said Father having replied, and Issue being joined, and the Rules for Publication passed, no Witnesses were examined in the said Cause for the Respondent, either to prove the pretended Settlement, or any Copy or Notice thereof, tho' he applied for and obtained a Commission to examine his Witnesses, but the then Plaintiff proved the Execution of the Deeds of Mortgage and the Settlement made upon his Marriage, and the said Cause came to a Hearing before the Lords Commissioners for hearing and determining Causes in the said High Court of Chancery in Ireland, in the Absence of the Lord Chancellor.

It was then decreed, that the then Plaintiff *Tho. Putland*, and the Respondent *Sir Walter Burrows*, should go to an Account before *Edward Lyndon*, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, and that the said Baron *St. Leger* should account for his Rent of such Part of the said mortgaged Premises, as were held by him, and all Parties to have just allowances, and after the Master's Report, the Court would consider whether the Appellant's Father ought not to have his Costs, and would make such further Order as should be just.

Nothing in
this mention-
ed in his An-
swer.

20 January,
1719.

N. B. Though the Respondent pretends he had but lately had Notice of these Articles and Settlement, yet they are charged by him in a Bill brought in the Year 1709, against *Siffon* and the Mortgagees, and to which they put in their Answers; but no farther Proceedings were had, so that the Respondent must have had Notice long before.

That several Proceedings were had before the said Master in the said Account, and when the Master was ready to make his Report, the Respondent petitioned the Lord Chancellor, setting forth, that he was informed, his Father, *Sir Kildare Burrows*, had upon his Marriage entred into Articles for settling the mortgaged Premises, whereby he was to be only Tenant for Life, That after the Marriage took Effect, a Settlement was made, pursuant to the said Articles, That subsequent to that Settlement, his Father borrowed 3000*l.* from *Thomas Putland*, for which he mortgaged the Premises to him. That *Thomas Putland* his Son, had brought his Bill against the Respondent, to redeem or be foreclosed, and that though the Respondent had by his Answer insisted his Father had no Power to mortgage the Premises; yet not being able to prove it, a Decree was pronounced against him; but being now informed the said *Tho. Putland* had Notice of the said Articles and Settlement before the Money lent, and that he did not doubt to prove the Execution of the said Articles and Settlement, therefore prayed the Cause might be reheard, which was order'd accordingly.

At the same Time, the Respondent filed a Bill of Discovery against the said *Tho. Putland*, Father of the said Appellant *John*, and thereby set forth, That upon his Father's Marriage with the Respondent's Mother, Articles were entred into, whereby the mortgaged Premises were to be settled upon the said Respondent's Father for Life, Remainder as to Part, to the said Respondent's Mother for Life, Remainder to the first and every other Son of that Marriage in Tail Male, with several other Remainders over; and that pursuant to the said Articles, after the said Marriage took Effect, a Settlement was made accordingly. That *Thomas Putland*, who lent the Respondent's Father 3000*l.* upon a Mortgage of the said Premises, and his Agents had Notice of the said Articles and Settlement before any Money was lent, and the said Articles and Settlement were delivered to the Mortgagee, to be by him cancelled. That *Thomas Siffon*, who was Agent for the Mortgagee, in an Answer to a Bill exhibited against him during the Respondent's Infancy, had admitted he had Notice of such Articles, and seen the same, that *John Rotton* had Copies thereof delivered to him, and full Notice of the same, before the Intermarriage of his Daughter with the Appellant *John's* Father. That the said *Thomas Putland*, jun. and the Trustees in his Marriage Settlement, had, before the said Marriage, Notice of the said Articles and Settlement, and therefore prayed the Defendants might discover the same, and the said Answer might be made use of at Rehearing of the original Cause.

The Respondent afterwards obtained an Order to put off the Rehearing 'till the then Defendant should answer the said Bill, and upon a subsequent Application amended his Bill, and prayed Relief as well as Discovery.

16 June 1720

To this Bill the said *Thomas Putland* put in his Plea and Answer, and by his said Answer denied that he at any Time before his Marriage, or that the said *John Rotton*, or any Trustee in his said Marriage Settlement, to his Knowledge or Belief, had any Notice or Intimation of the said Articles made on the Marriage of the Respondent's Father, or of any Settlement made pursuant to such Articles in the Bill mentioned; nor did he ever hear or believe there were any Articles entred into, whereby the Respondent's Father was to be Tenant for Life of the Premises, with Remainder over to his first and every other Son; and that if the said *Sir Kildare Burrows* had made any Settlement, limiting the Premises to the Respondent in Tail after the Death of the said *Sir Kildare*, the same was voluntary, and could not affect his Mortgage, who was a Purchaser, without Notice for a valuable Consideration, and had a good Right thereto both at Law and in Equity; and deny'd the Charges in the Bill from *Siffon's* Answer, for that *Siffon* swore the said Articles contained no Limitation to the Issue of the Marriage, and were made after Marriage; and as to so much of the Bill as prayed a Discovery of any Articles or Settlements, or Copies thereof, or any Deeds relating to the mortgaged Premises, and to bring

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bring the same into Court, he pleaded his said Marriage Settlement, and that he was a Purchaser for a valuable Consideration, without Notice to him or any Person acting for him on his said Marriage.

That the said Plea was argued the 12th and 13th Days of July, 1720, and it being insisted, That tho' the then Defendants denied any Manner of Notice or Intimation to him or his Trustees, or that they saw the said Articles; yet it being charged, the Defendant's Wife's Father had a Copy of these Articles delivered to him before the Marriage of the Defendant, the Defendant should have denied that, and therefore it was ordered, that the said *Thomas Putland*, jun. should amend his Answer and Plea, but the Respondent having petitioned for and obtained a Rehearing of the said Order, the same was reheard on the 11th of November, 1720, and the said Plea over-ruled; but the Respondent never proceeded farther in that Suit, nor insisted upon a farther Answer, tho' the Appellant's Father lived near five Months after the Plea over-ruled.

That before any further Proceedings were had in the said Cause, *Thomas Putland*, jun. died about the 31st Day of March, 1721, leaving the Appellant *John* his Son and Heir by the Appellant *Jane*, by which the said Cause abated; but before his Death the said *Thomas Putland* made his Will in Writing, and made the Appellants, *Jane* and Dr. *Helsbam*, Executors, who proved the said Will.

That the Appellants the Executors, being intitled to all the Arrears of Interest of the said Mortgage due at the Death of the said Testator and Appellant *John*, to the Principal Money thereby secured by Virtue of the said Settlement upon his Father's Marriage, they, in April 1722, filed their Bill of Revivor against the Respondent Baron *St. Leger*, the Bishop of *Clogher*, Executor of *John Rotton*, deceas'd, and *Mary Ryly*, Executrix, and *James Ryly*, Son and Heir of the said *Edward Ryly*, deceas'd, who was the surviving Trustee of the said Marriage Settlement of *Thomas Putland*, jun. and prayed the said Proceedings might be revived, and that the Appellants being intitled to the said Mortgage-Money and Interest might have the Benefit of the said Decree in 1718, and to have an Account of the said Mortgage Money and Interest thereof, and that the Arrears of Interest due in the Lifetime of the said *Thomas Putland*, jun. might be paid to the Appellants *Jane* and *Richard*, and that the principal Money might be laid out at Interest, to the Uses of the said Settlement, and that the Trustees might act in the said Trust, or assign their Trust, as the Court should direct, and be relieved.

The Respondent answered and therein insisted on the Marriage Articles made on his said Father's, Sir *Kildare Burrows*'s Marriage, and previous to his Marriage with Sir *Walter*'s Mother *Elizabeth*, dated Febr. 15, 1690, and of the said Settlement, dated the 16th and 17th of February, 1693, and that the said Sir *Kildare* had no Power to make such Mortgage.

All the other Defendants answered.

The Appellants replied, to avoid the said Answers being taken for true, but gave Notice, that no Witnesses would be examined in Regard that all that was insisted on in the Respondent's Answer to the last Bill, had been in Issue in the former Pleadings before the Decree.

That the Respondent examined *Robert Johnson*, who was a subscribing Witness to the Deed of Mortgage, and *Robert Dixon* as to the Execution of the said Articles and Settlement, and they only swear they had heard some Articles were entred into before the said Sir *Kildare*'s Marriage, but neither of them ever saw them; and that Sir *Kildare* told Depo-
nent *Johnson*, they were not executed 'till after his Marriage, tho' they bear Date before.


That Publication, having passed the said Cause, came to a Hearing on the 2d and 4th of December, 1724; and altho' Objections were made by the Appellant's Council to the reading the Depositions taken on the Behalf of the Defendant in that Cause, because they were examined to a Matter which was in Issue before the said Decree, and altho' no Proof had been made or so much as attempted to be made of Notice to the said *Thomas Putland*, jun. or any other Person acting on his Behalf, before the Settlement of the Premises in Question upon his Marriage.

It was decreed to try at Law whether any, and what Deed of Settlement was executed by Sir *Kildare* in 1693, of the Lands in the Mortgage in the Pleadings mentioned, or any of them, in Pursuance of any and what Articles, or for any other and what Considerations, and what were the Uses of such Settlement, and if any such Deed or Articles were executed, to whom the same or either of them are come, and to try whether *Thomas Putland*, sen. *Thomas Putland*, jun. or the Trustees in the Settlements made on the said *Putland*, junior's, Marriage, or any Person or Persons that transacted the Marriage of the said *Putland*, jun. with the Daughter of *John Rotton*, deceas'd, or any or which of them had Notice of such Articles or Settlement at the Time of the said Marriage, or at any other Time and when, and to be tried by a Jury of the County of *Kildare*, where the Respondent had great Power and Interest, and the Parties to be at Liberty to give in Evidence the Depositions of such Witnesses as should be dead, or for any other lawful Cause to be made out by Affidavit, could not appear; and if a sufficient Jury should not appear, the Judge was to grant a *Tales*.

Against which Decree and the Order for rehearing the Cause after the Decree made the 23d of February, 1718. the Appellants have appeal'd for these Reasons.

It is admitted, the Appellant *John*'s Grandfather, really and *bona fide* lent and advanc'd to the Respondent's Father, the Sum of 3000*l.* at 8*l.* per Cent. Interest, which was 2 per Cent. less than the then common Interest in *Ireland*, that for securing the Repayment thereof, the Mortgage in Question was executed; and that the said Sum of 3000*l.* with a great Arrear of Interest, remains unpaid, the Appellant therefore, as an honest Creditor, without Notice, was intitled to all the Assistance of a Court of Equity, to compel Payment of the Money so lent, and the same ought to have been decreed accordingly.

Because



- II. Because the Mortgaged Premises were before the Intermarriage of the Appellant *John's* Father to the Appellant *Jane*, and in Consideration thereof, and a Marriage Portion conveyed to Trustees to the Use of the Appellant's Father for Life, Remainder to the first, and every other Son of that Marriage; so that the Appellant's Father was, and the Appellant *John* is a Purchaser of the Premises in Question for a valuable Consideration, he ought to have the Benefit thereof in order to recover Payment of the Money really due, unless it were plainly proved that the Mortgager had no Title to convey, and that the Appellant's Father had Notice thereof before the Settlement; and it was impossible the Appellant *John* could have Notice, he being then unborn.
- III. The Respondent, by his Answer to the Original Bill, brought by the Appellant's Father, and likewise to the Supplemental Bill, insisted, his Father was only Tenant for Life of the mortgaged Premises by Settlement for a valuable Consideration, and had no Power to mortgage the same, and tho' Publication was at his Desire frequently enlarged, and a Commission granted to examine Witnesses, yet no Proof of such Settlement or Deed was brought, and thereupon a Decree made in Appellant's Father's Favour, consequently no Reason afterwards to direct an Issue to try whether such Articles or Settlement were executed.
- IV. It seems to be a Matter of a very dangerous Consequence after Publication passed and a Cause heard, and a Decree pronounced, and a Bill of Revivor brought upon the Death of one of the Parties, to allow a Defendant to bring Evidence to support the Facts of his Answer, which are the same in Substance with what he had formerly insisted upon, and was in Issue in the former Cause, and to which he had examined no Witnesses before, and was the more extraordinary in this Case, because the two Witnesses examined by him since, were Mr. *Johnson* and Mr. *Dixon*, both his Uncles, who are both not only his Relations, but intimate Acquaintance, and from whom he might have had the same Discovery in the first Cause, and who no Doubt might have been then examined had there not been some private Reason for delaying such Examination 'till after Publication passed, especially since it appears by the Respondent's own Bill that he was informed of these Transactions long before, they being all charged in a Bill brought by the Respondent against *Putland*, Sen. and *Sisson*, in the Year 1709, and tho' they both answered and insisted these two Witnesses were privy to the Appellant's Father's Mortgage, and to the Transactions relating thereto, yet no farther Proceedings were had in that Cause, nor any Attempt to examine these Witnesses 'till after the Death of Appellant's Grandfather and Father, and *Sisson*, who transacted the Mortgage in Question: tho' the Respondent charges both the said *Johnson* and *Dixon* were Parties to this pretended Settlement.
- V. That even these Witnesses don't prove the Execution of the Articles insisted upon by the Respondent, or that either of them were Witnesses thereto, or that they ever saw the original Articles or any Copy of them, or know the Contents thereof, but say they have heard Articles were executed, and heard they were delivered up to the Mortgagee and cancelled; and tho' both of the Witnesses refer to the Answer of the said *Sisson* as the Reason of their Belief as to the Articles and Delivery thereof to the Mortgagee, it is plain they differ intirely from the Answer itself, both as to the Nature of the Articles and the Delivery of them to the Mortgagee; the Articles, as he sets them forth, being only a Provision for the present Maintenance of the said *Kildare* and his Lady, during the Life of Sir *Walter*, the Grandfather of the Respondent, and a Joynture for the Lady, but no Limitation to the Issue of the Marriage, and were executed after Marriage: And therefore is no sufficient Evidence to direct an Issue against a Purchaser for a valuable Consideration, especially since *Johnson* swears the Respondent's Father told him these Articles were not executed 'till after Marriage, tho' they did bear Date before; and *Johnson* himself is a subscribing Witness to the Mortgage made by the Respondent's Father to the Appellant's Grandfather, which was not very justifiable, if he knew the Mortgager had no Title: And *Sisson*, by his Answer, swears both *Johnson* and *Dixon* were the Persons who perswaded *Putland* to lend the Money, and that the Title was good.
- VI. It seems very strange to leave it to a Jury to try the Limitations of Uses in Articles whereof no Copy is produced, nor the Original, nor any Copy is proved to be extant, nor any Witness that ever saw them.
- VII. That the Appellants apprehend, that the directing an Issue to try whether the Appellant *John's* Father, had any Notice of these Articles, is contrary to the usual Course of Proceedings in a Court of Equity, when the Party upon whom Notice is pretended does expressly, upon Oath, deny he had any Notice, and not the least Proof is made by the Respondent to falsify that Answer, or Attempt to prove Notice upon the Appellant's Father, for neither of the two Witnesses examined do so much as say, they believe the Appellant's Father had Notice of the said Articles; and the Appellants apprehend, if he had no Notice, all the other Enquiry will be fruitless, and to no Purpose.

The Appellants therefore humbly hope the said Decree of the 4th of December last, shall be reversed, and that the Respondent shall be decreed to redeem the Appellant or be absolutely foreclosed, and the Appellants have such other Relief as to your Lordships shall seem meet.

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